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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMCONSUL HALIFAZ

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MEETING ON HALIBUT PROBLEM

REF: STATE 112563

PASS ROBERT SCHONING, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES
SERVICE, NOAA, DOC

1. REGFISHATT DISCUSSED WITH HONDA, FIRST NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION,
AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU, FONOFF, JAPANESE PARTICIPATION AT HALIBUT
MEETING. HE WAS WARE OF CANDIAN PROPOSAL TO CONVENE MEETING AND
APPROACHES MADE TO USSR. HE INQUIRED U.S. POSITION ON ISSUE AND
WAS INFORMED USG FULLY SUPPORTED MEETING PROPOSAL AND WOULD BE
PREPARED TO MEET AT ANY TIME TO DISCUSS PROBLEM BUT PREFERED TO
HAVE MEETING CONVENE IMMEDIATELY AFER ICNAF MEETING.

2. HONDA STATED RESPONSE WILL BE MADE ASAP AFTER CONSULTATIONS FIRST
HELD WITHFISHERIES AGENCY AND FONOFF'S ECONOMC AFFAIRS BUREAU.
CONSULTATION WITHLATTER NECESSARY SINCE ICNAF AND ALL OTHER
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MULTILATERAL FISHERIES ARRANGEMENTS, EXCEPT INPFC, ARE HANDLED

IN FONOFF BY THAT BUREAU AND NORTHAMERICANBUREAU WILL NOT BE
REPRESENTED AT ICNAF MEETING. HONDA ADDED THATSCHEDULING OF MEETING
MAY PRESENT PROBLEM TO JAPAN SINCE SOME MEMBERS OF GOJ DEL TO
ICNAF SCHEDULE TO ATTEND IWC MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER CONCLUSION
ICNAF MEETING. ALSO FISHERIESAGENCY REPRESENTATIVEATTENDING ICNAF
MEETING NOT FAMILIAR WITH HALIBUT PROBLEM.

3. FYI. REGFISHATT CONSULTED CANADIAN EMBASSY ON PARALLEL
APPROACH TO GOJ. ALTHOUGH AWARE OF PROBLEM, B. SMITH, CANADIAN
EMBASSY, STATED HE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM OTTAWA.
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